



1051st meeting of the
Pacific Coast Numismatic Society

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San Francisco, California**



**Philippine UFOs
Phil Nordin**

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Please join us Wednesday, November 26, 2003 to hear Phil Nordin speak about "Unusual Filipino Oddities", items which are, for the most part, unlisted in the catalogs, or so obscure that they are rarely, if ever, shown or discussed.

1050th meeting October 22, 2003 The Old Streets of San Francisco – Revisited *Jerry Schimmel* (review by *Herb Miles*)

Jerry Schimmel revisited the "Old Street of San Francisco," reprising, updating, and adding to our knowledge of the city's old tokens and their locations in mostly early 1900s San Francisco. Jerry explained that one of our past publications was his little booklet "The Old Streets of San Francisco" and he gave a great deal of credit to Stephen M. Huston for encouraging his writing, then typesetting, printing and publishing this little volume under the auspices of PCNS.

Jerry also noted the contributions of our recently deceased member, Dr. Paul Holtzman, who always encouraged publishing and research and gave Jerry excellent editorial advice over the years.

Mr. Schimmel then confused us with tokens bearing old street names which in many instances no longer exist; butcher J. J. Regan on Fifth Avenue in the south of Market area; J. Cosgrove on Tonquin Street in the Marina, and East Street, which is now the Embarcadero; plus Devesadero is now spelled Divisadero. Jerry's slides included many later 1800s and early 1900s "ethnic tokens" from German Hungarian, Italian, Chinese, and Black residents of San Francisco. Some of the most interesting included the St. Gambrinis portrayal, a German patron saint of beer drinking and the mystery token from Chung Jan,

It was intriguing to see current businesses located where old saloons, grocery stores, or cigar shops once existed. Pucinelli's Pub now houses a Mediterranean restaurant and the Novelty Company and Carlo's Saloon on Lienesdorf have been completely replaced by large high rises.

All in all, a very nice talk and compelling slide illustrations! Thanks Jerry.

Exhibits

Ken Takahashi exhibited his latest acquisitions of Annam Cash Coins (Annam means “land of the South,”) and a Chinese silver ingot, called yin bao.

Frank Strazzarino brought his Key Fob from the Mark Twain Hotel, a piece illustrated in an ad he received for the token collectors who meet periodically in Stockton or Sacramento.

Herb Miles brought some recent pieces purchased in New Orleans, two copper “artist’s proofs” of examples for Mardi Gras doubloons, and a San Francisco token from the California Bar located as 24 Market Street at the foot of Market Street near Embarcadero.

Chris Donaldson exhibited some books he is selling on San Francisco’s Cable Cars.

Gordon Donnell brought his usual assortment of coin club medals and tokens; a Delta Coin Club set, a Cupertino Coin Club chip & wood, Life Membership Silver Medal, and an elongated New Orleans cent donated by Herb.

Mark Wm. Clark exhibited a very nice pair of Portola Festival mini-tambourines, one from 1909, the other 1913.

Stephen M. Huston brought his own set of “tokens,” an ancient Ptolemaic large Bronze piece which circulated in place of silver and his very own ancient-inspired token which has caused a bit of grief for those dealers and collectors who mistake it for a real ancient coin!

Michael Wehner brought an Adams & Company note from 1854, a business which issued its own banknotes then promptly went out of business a few months later, and an early San Francisco token from the grocer Zuest & Lindeman who were located at the present California & Hyde Streets location of Cala Foods.

Last, but not least, *Elliot Wehner* exhibited two Washington-Carver Commemorative Half Dollars.

Results of auction #16 of PPIE collection

Lot #161 Twelve real photo postcards. Statuary. "A Fairy", "Summer", "The Mother of Tomorrow", "Fountain of Ceres", "The Sun God an Python", "Boy and Frog", "Rising Sun", "Beyond", "The Triton Babies", "Boy with Fish", "Statue-Surmounting the Court of Four Seasons", "Modern Civilization". Excellent, unused condition. Sold on ebay for \$24.50

Lot #162 Ten color postcards of scenes from the fair. "West Entrance – Palace of Liberal Arts", "Palace of Liberal Arts, across South Gardens", "Court of the Four Seasons", "Fountain of Cerese, Court of Four Seasons", "Calder's Column of Progress", "Night Scene- Tower of Jewels", "Washington State Building", "Canadian Pavilion", "Palace of Machinery", "Illinois State Building". Excellent Condition, Mostly unused. Sold on ebay for \$15.51

Lot #163 Promotional booklet from the Sonoma County exhibit. Twenty pages, lots of color illustrations. Mint condition. Sold on ebay for \$17.61

Lot #164 Souvenir ticket for San Francisco day at the fair. Sold on ebay for \$51.00

Lot #165 Souvenir program from "Henry Ellsworth Scenic and Electrical Reproduction: London to South Pole" at the fair. Details the failed mission of Robert Scott to the South Pole. 14 pages. Sold on ebay for \$27.59

Lot #166 "Colortypes of the PPIE" Lavish medium format picture book of fair scenes. 28 pages. Mint condition. Comes in the original unused mailing envelope. Sold on ebay for \$9.99

Lot #167 The Pacific Telephone Magazine, Sept 1915, Vol.9 No. 3. Cover features the Tower of Jewels. Cover story is about the fair. Other articles concern contemporary telephone business. Excellent condition, but has been holed to put in a binder. Sold at live auction for \$25.00

Lot #168 Stockholder's season ticket book. Issued on Aug 28, 1915 to Mr. J. F. Drew of 67 Pierce (San Francisco). He used only three tickets. Sold on ebay for \$131.38

Lot #169 Official Miniature view book. 26 pages of black and white views of the fair. Excellent condition. Postcard sized, but never mailed. Sold at live auction for \$15.00

Lot #170 Official view book. Published by H.S. Crocker. 38 pages of black white illustrations and photos of fair scenes. Good condition. Sold at live auction for \$40.00